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SUBJECT: LOS - MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY FROM PERUVIAN
FOREIGN MINISTER

1. THERE FOLLOWS TEXT OF MESSAGE TO THE SECRETARY FROM
THE PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER IN RESPONSE TO THE SECRE-
TARY'S MESSAGE OF AUGUST 3. THIS MESSAGE WAS DELIVERED
BY THE PERUVIAN EMBASSY ON AUGUST 16, 1976.

2. BEGIN TEXT. QUOTE: MR. SECRETARY:

I READ YOUR NOTE OF AUGUST 3, 1976, WHICH WAS TRANSMITTED
TO ME BY THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES AT LIMA, WITH
THE UTMOST INTEREST AND ATTENTION. IN IT YOU EXPRESS TO
ME YOUR CONCERN AND PERSONAL REGARD FOR THE SUCCESS OF
THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE WHICH HAS JUST RESUMED ITS
WORK, AND YOU STRESS THE IMPORTANCE OF THE POLITICAL
DECISIONS THAT WILL HAVE TO BE MADE TO COMPLETE THE TASK
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IN NEW YORK SUCCESSFULLY AND THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION

WITH WHICH YOU PROPOSE TO APPROACH THESE QUESTIONS.

I CAN ASSURE YOU, MR. SECRETARY, THAT I FULLY SHARE YOUR INTEREST IN AND CONCERN ABOUT THIS MATTER, AS WELL AS THE DETERMINATION TO SPARE NO EFFORT TO OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES

AND REACH A DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT ON ALL OF THE QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE LAW OF THE SEA.

I AM ALSO CONVINCED OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY AT THIS STAGE VIS-A-VIS FUTURE GENERATIONS. PERU HAS PLAYED A PREEMINENT ROLE IN SHAPING THE FUTURE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE CONFERENCE AND IT IS CERTAINLY INTERESTED IN ENSURING THAT THEY WIN GENERAL CONSENSUS. I KNOW THAT THE PROPOSALS OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES DIFFER ON CERTAIN IMPORTANT POINTS, BUT I TRUST THAT A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY SOLUTION CAN BE FOUND THROUGH THE COOPERATION OF ALL THE PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE CONFERENCE AND THE COMMON AIM OF ACHIEVING CONCRETE RESULTS. TO THIS END I HAVE INSTRUCTED THE PERUVIAN DELEGATION AND I AM PREPARED, AS YOU ARE, TO CONSIDER PERSONALLY ANY POINT REQUIRING A POLITICAL DECISION.

ACCEPT, MR. SECRETARY, THE EXPRESSIONS OF MY HIGHEST AND MOST DISTINGUISHED CONSIDERATION.

AMBASSADOR JOSE DE LA PUENTE RADBILL, MINISTER OF FOREIGN RELATIONS OF PERU END QUOTE.

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